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Dear Sir:

Reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

This is a reply to the Office Action mailed September 19, 2002 setting a three (3) month statutory period for response. A request for a one (1) month extension of time and appropriate fee are filed herewith. Please enter the following amendments and remarks into the record.

In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 16-20 without prejudice.

Please amend the claims as follows: